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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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For: BEADS ALIGNMENT STRUCTURE, PRODUCTION  
METHOD THEREOF, AND BEAD ALIGNMENT  
METHOD FOR CAPILLARY BEADS ARRAY

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**COVER LETTER**

Sir:

[ x ] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

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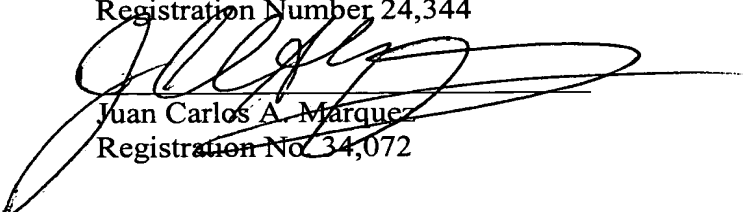
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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 15, 2005, the shortened period of response to which is set to expire on September 15, 2005. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Group II as recited in claims 2 – 12, directed to a method of producing the bead alignment structure, classified in Class 156, subclass 272.2, without traverse.